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TERRORISTS BAND FOR INAUGURAL- DAY BLITZ

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WASHINGTON — Intel-
ligence agencies fear
that major terrorist
groups in Western Eu-
rope are mapping a star-
tling new campaign
against U.S. installations
there to coincide with
President Reagan's inau-
guration next Monday.

State Dept. and Penta-
gon officials told The
Post last night they be-
lieve this week's bomb-
ing near the U.S. em-
bassy in Brussels was
just the start of a major
terrorist campaign
against Americans.

U.S. embassies and
military installations
will be on full alert this
weekend and next week,
sources said.

The alert went out
after the CIA said it has
alarming evidence that
major terrorist groups
in Europe and the Mid-
east may be joining
forces against Amer-
icans for the first time.

Sources said the
agency has learned of
meetings between Mid-
east terrorists and lead-
ers of Western European
guerrilla groups, includ-
ing the Red Brigades of
Italy and the Baader-
Meinhoff gang of West
Germany.

The meetings have
taken place over the
last month in Spain,
Portugal and Greece,
the sources said.

Extraordinary security
also has been put into
place in Washington for
the inauguration.

Reagan could be
particularly vulnerable
tonight through Monday
because of the many ap-
pearances he will make,
officials said.

On Monday the Presi-
dent will visit Capitol
Hill, travel in a parade
down Pennsylvania
Avenue, sit in a review-
ing box for several
hours and show up at
eight inaugural balls
around Washington.

A force of at least 15,000
from the police, Secret
Service and military
have been assigned to
inaugural security, in-
cluding guarding against
an aerial attack during
the ceremony.

Reagan will travel in
a new armored limou-
sine during the inau-
gural parade Monday and
an estimated 140,000
guests at Reagan's
swearing-in ceremony
on Capitol Hill will have
to pass through metal
detectors.

As if the European
terrorist threat isn't
enough, officials are on
guard against Colum-
bian cocaine kingpins
who have vowed to take
revenge for the recent
arrest of some of their
men by U.S. and Colum-
bian authorities.

Families of American
diplomats have been
evacuated from Bogota,
and the State Dept. is
warning all Americans
to "use prudence" when
traveling in Columbia.